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Mysuru NCC gets India's first Microlight Simulator

NCC Director General inspects facility; 44 more to come up across country

Mysuru, Sept. 14 (BCT)- A state-of-the-art Microlight Simulator Room (Virus SW 80 Simulator) set up by Aer X Simulator Labs, a Bengaluru-based company, has been installed at 3 Karnataka Girls Battalion NCC in city. The facility was inspected by Lt.Gen. Tarun Kumar Aich, AVSM, Director General (DG) of National Cadet Corps (NCC), who visited the NCC Group Headquarters yesterday.

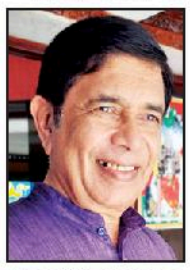
The DG was on a two-day visit and he was accompanied by Deputy Director General Karnataka & Goa Directorate NCC Air Commodore B.S. Kanwar, VSM. This is the first Virus Microlight Simulator which has been established in India by the Headquarters DG NCC. It is one-of-a-kind initiative by NCC DG Headquarters towards procurement and installation of 44 such simulators across all Air NCC units of the country. Air Wing NCC cadets of 4 Karnataka Air Squadron Mysuru will have the opportunity to be the first batch to be trained in specialised flying. It has been designed for Virus Microlight aircraft and will enable cadets to get near real-time hands-on training experience in flying the aircraft, said Group Commander Col. R.R. Menon.

(See NCC on page 7)

Director General of NCC Lt.Gen. Tarun Kumar Aich inspecting the Microlight Simulator Room yesterday along with Wing Commander (Retd.) Sumit Kapoor as (from left) Deputy Director General, Karnataka and Goa Directorate Air Commodore B.S. Kanwar, Commanding Officer 4 Karnataka Air Squadron NCC Wing Commander Samer Mehra and Group Commander NCC Mysuru Colonel R.R. Menon look on.

Former Union Minister Oscar Fernandes passes away in Mangaluru

Mangaluru, Sept. 14- Senior Congress leader, former Union Minister and a close aide of the Gandhi family, Oscar Fernandes breathed his last here yesterday afternoon. He was 80.



Oscar Fernandes

Fernandes was undergoing treatment in the ICU of Yenepoya Hospital in city since July after he sustained injuries in an accidental fall. As he was found to have an internal injury, a surgery was carried out by doctors. He is survived by his wife Blossom Fernandes, son Oshan and daughter Oshanie.

Funeral to be held in Bengaluru on Thursday

(See FERNANDES on page 6)

Kaveri Kodagu Mahila Sangha Founder-President no more

Mysuru, Sept. 14- Ittira Parvathi Cariappa (Dotty), Founder-President and Advisor of Shree Kaveri Kodagu Mahila Sangha, Mysuru and a resident of HUDCO Layout in Bannimantap, passed away last evening at her son's residence in Cochin, Kerala, following a heart attack. She was 91.

She had served as the Vice-President of Kodava Samaja, Mysuru and Kodagu Sahakara Sangha in Jayalakshmipuram here.

Parvathi, fondly called as Dotty aunty (Kodandera), had retired as Administrative Officer at Agriculture Department and had served as the President of Karnataka State Ministerial Staff Association and Vice-President of Karnataka State Government Employees Association.

Wife of retired KSRP SP late Cariappa, she leaves behind her son Dharmesh Cariappa, General Manager of Taj Group of Hotels, Cochin, daughter-in-law Neetha, grand-daughter Tripti and a host of relatives and friends. Her body was brought to Mysuru this morning and was kept at her residence for people to pay their last respects.

Ittira Parvathi Cariappa

Cremation took place at Chirashanthidhama in Gokulam this afternoon, according to family sources.

PUBLIC NOTICE

Our Client Shri. Suresh Hegde, Son of Shri. M. Raghuram Hegde, aged about 56 years, residing at Flat No. A204, Lakshmi Apartment No.6, Cornwell Road, Langford Garden Bengaluru - 560025 had reciprocating financial transactional arrangement with Smt. Prathibha Wife of Shri G. Mahesh, Aged about 49 years, Residing at Door No. 594, 10th Cross, Mahadeshawara Layout, Vijayanagara, Mysuru - 570016 and Smt. Bindu, wife of Dr. B. S. Shivakumar, aged about 42 years, residing at " Savithri Nilaya", Maruthi Nagara, Arasikere, District Hassan - 573103 with respect to Sy. No. 354/1, measuring 1 Acre 01 Guntas, Sy No. 365, measuring 1 Acre 39 Guntas, Land, Sy. No. 367/1, measuring 37 Guntas, alienated for Residential Purpose, Situated at Belavadi Village, Yelwala Hobli, Mysuru Taluk, Mysuru District, has been forced to approach on their default in payment, the Court of Sixth Additional Senior Civil Judge, Mysuru in the City of Mysore in O.S No. 286 of 2021, wherein our client has sought for recovery of Rs. 1, 54, 15,725/- defaulted under the Cheques that came to be dishonoured.

Therefore our Client has obtained interim order against the above said persons from causing conveyance in any manner of any of portion of Land referred above that has been proposed to be developed for Residential Purpose styling these Survey Numbers with displaying Board as " DWARAKA HOMES" BY ARKA VENTURES. However it is also learnt that the concerned are intending to cause Sale to gullible purchasers suppressing this order of the Court that is in full knowledge of above said persons who have been resisting the claim of our client.

Therefore the public in General have been cautioned by this notice, not to be swayed by any representation of Smt. Prathibha and Smt. Bindu referred above or their agents or Power of Attorney holders or any party to joint venture that may be projected in causing agreements or deeds of sale of any part of the property referred above.

Any Transaction carried out despite this caution, shall be subject of further litigation and equity as bonafide purchaser cannot be defence. In Such an event of going ahead with Conveyance, the purchaser shall face the consequence under law and so also the Sellers shall be subject of disobedience of Order of Hon'ble Court that can lead to the attachment of their properties or even detention of such persons in Civil Prison and such conveyance shall absolutely void in law. Even the concerned Sub-Registrar has been duly served with copy of the Order. The RERA and MUDA authorities shall also be informed in this regard.

This is for Information of General Public.

Sd/- Shri. Mahadeva Deshak. Advocate,
Deshak Law Reigns, Chambers : No. 479, II Floor, Abhimaan Complex, Vinaya Marga, Siddharth Nagara, Mysuru - 570011.

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"We believe comment is free, but facts are sacred."

Editor: M. GOVINDE GOWDA, M.A.

Mysuru, Tuesday 14th September 2021

Mysuru's Vishwas Kumar becomes youngest Chartered Accountant

Vishwas Kumar

Mysuru, Sept. 14- City lad Vishwas Kumar has cleared the Chartered Accountant (CA) Final Exam (New) conducted by The Institute of Chartered Accountants of India (ICAI) on July 5, 2021. ICAI declared the results of CA Final Examination (Old and New Course) and Foundation exam yesterday.

By securing 463 out of 800 marks to clear the exam — 228 in Group I and 235 in Group II — Vishwas became one of the youngest Chartered Accountants in Karnataka to achieve it in his first attempt at the age of 20 years and 6 months. Previously, he had cleared the Intermediate and Common Proficiency Test (CPT) exams in 2018 and 2017 respectively in his first attempts.

After schooling at JSS Public School in JP Nagar, he studied PUC in Sadvidya College, Mysuru and secured 3rd Rank in II PUC exam following which he pursued CA.

Vishwas is the son of Keerthy Kumar, an Auditor and M.S. Nagarathna, a home-maker, residing in Vidyaranyapuram in city. His twin brother Vishal Kumar is pursuing MBBS in Mysore Medical College and Research Institute (MMC&RI), Mysuru, while his elder sister Varsha Kumar is doing her MS in USA (CMU University).

EDITOR'S BOTTOMLINE

The BJP has replaced yet another one of its Chief Ministers — the third in two months — before the end of his tenure, for reasons that are not officially stated but ostensibly have to do with balancing caste equations and containing anti-incumbency. Political parties are prone to replacing MLAs in elections to dent anti-incumbency, but a change at the top is usually made when there is a threat of revolt by legislators. However, the BJP has visibly downsized the Office of the Chief Minister in States where it runs the Government — even Assembly elections are fought in the name of the Prime Minister.

Ironically, this rise of a powerful party centre, reminiscent of the Congress high command under Indira and Rajiv Gandhi, is at variance with the federal approach the BJP had cultivated and nurtured under Atal Bihari Vajpayee and L.K. Advani. That had enabled the party to create a second line of leadership of charismatic politicians in the States. Many of them — Shivraj Singh Chouhan, Uma Bharti, Vasundhara Raje, Raman Singh, Yediyurappa, Kalyan Singh among others — led the party to success in their respective States, which can be said to have laid the ground for the BJP's spectacular growth under Modi and Amit Shah. The denial of autonomy to State units and agency to State leaders, the preference for faceless runners in a relay race over influential politicians, and the dependence on the high command for electoral outreach, are significant changes in the form and character of the new BJP. — In Indian Express

NEWS SPARKLERS

'Nun' caught dancing with skeleton

England: There are some things you just never expect to see and one of them is a nun cavorting with a skeleton beside a graveyard. But that's exactly the sight that emerged outside old Hull General Cemetery recently.

A woman dressed as a nun was pictured dancing with a prop human skeleton, before playing with another that looked like a dog.

One baffled witness said: "Literally, she was stood at the cemetery on Spring Bank West opposite the turn off for Hymers school. She was dancing with a skeleton. It was clearly attracting a lot of attention with people stopping to watch nearby and people in their cars looking!"

Reports from the scene indicated that someone was filming the bizarre incident just before 12pm. This could suggest it was part of a stunt or art project, although this remains unknown.

Sea snakes try to get laid by 'attacking' divers

Sydney: Sea snakes that have long been known to "attack" human divers are probably just on the prowl for sex, according to the authors of a new scientific paper.

The researchers reviewed available data on sea snake attacks and noticed some interesting things. The "attacks" mainly involved males during breeding season, and occurred in the midst of activities like sea snake courting rituals or two rival males fighting.

The snakes have somewhat poor vision and are seemingly launching themselves at divers in an attempt to find out whether they're suitable mates, study co-author, Ross Alford, professor emeritus Australia's James Cook University, said.

HEALTH CAPSULE

How is general anaesthesia administered? For adults and older children, general anaesthesia is given through an intravenous (IV) line.
Young children can inhale anaesthesia through a mask or tube, getting an IV after becoming unconscious.

By Dr. Balasubramanyam P K - Consultant – Anaesthesiology

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First Rank in MA English

B.R. Poojashree, a student of Teresian College, Mysuru, has secured the First Rank in MA English from the University of Mysore (UoM). She has won four Gold Medals and three Cash Prizes. She is seen receiving the Certificate from Governor-Chancellor Thaawarchand Gehlot** (in red) **and UoM VC Prof. G. Hemantha Kumar** (in blue) **during the 101st Convocation held at Crawford Hall in city recently. Others seen are UoM Registrar Prof. R. Shivappa** (extreme left) **and Higher Education Minister Dr. C.N. Ashwathnarayan** (extreme right)**. She had bagged a Gold Medal in Journalism and Cash Prize in Optional English in BA English from Kuvempu University.

REALLY...?

- ***1810: Balthasar Krems invents an automatic machine for sewing caps. He didn't patent his design, but it didn't work anyway.***
- ***1814: An Austrian tailor, Josef Madersperger, was issued a patent. He was persistent, attempting several different designs, but all were unsuccessful.***
- ***1818: John Adams Doge and John Knowles invent America's first sewing machine, but it could only sew a few bits of fabric before breaking.***

LAUGHTER THE BEST MEDICINE

The boss asks his employee:
"Why aren't you working?"
The employee says:
"Sorry boss, I didn't see you coming!!"

TODAY'S CURRENCY RATE

1 US Dollar	= Rs. 73.59
1 UK Pound	= Rs. 102.12
1 UAE Dirham	= Rs. 20.04
1 Euro	= Rs. 87.02

COVID-19 UPDATE - MYSURU

	SEPTEMBER 12	SEPTEMBER 13
Total Positive Cases	36	39
Total Positive Cases	1,76,873	1,76,912
Day's Discharges	82	2
Total Discharges	1,73,798	1,73,800
Day's Deaths	2	0
Total Deaths	2,375	2,375
Total Active Cases	700	737

NOTE: Figures as per Government Media Bulletin

VOICE OF THE READER

Prevent blocking of Conservancy Lanes

Sir,

The erstwhile City Improvement Trust Board (CITB) developed various well-laid layouts and extensions by offering lot of amenities to the public. One such amenity was the provision of about ten feet 'conservancy lane' at the back side of the houses.

Through this conservancy the amenities which demand road cutting like electrical connection, water connection, drainage connection etc., were executed without making any damage to the roads. Probably the concept of providing conservancy was to avoid road cutting.

But of late in many old layouts, this conservancy is getting converted into asphalted or concrete roads and the residents are fixing a door to enter the conservancy directly from their house.

In some locations the residents staying at the end of the conservancy block the entry to the conservancy by building a solid wall across the conservancy and convert the conservancy as their private area.

Some other residents block the entry to the conservancy with a grill gate under lock and key, which needs to be appreciated.

Blocking of conservancy with a sold brick wall makes the life of other residents miserable, since their access to the drainage system is curtailed and in case of any clogging of the drainage system, it will be a herculean task for them to get the drainage system rectified.

Mysuru City Corporation (MCC) should ensure that no residents block the entry to the conservancy with a solid wall and also MCC should ensure that the conservancy is well maintained and devoid of wild growth of plants and shrubs.

—K. Chandrahas

Mysuru

10.9.2021

Simple Vishwakarma Jayanti celebration on Sept. 17

Mysuru, Sept. 14 (RKB&DM)- Due to COVID-19 pandemic, Vishwakarma Jayanti will be celebrated in a simple and symbolic manner in the city on Sept.17.

Announcing this at a press meet here yesterday, District Vishwakarma Jayantotsava Samiti President Hanchya Puttasomachar said that the Jayanti will be celebrated by the District Administration in association with the Samiti at Kirurangamandira in Kalamandira premises on Hunsur road at 11 am on Sept. 17. Pointing out that the celebrations will be marked with the offering of floral tributes to a portrait of Vishwakarma Saint, he said that Chamaraja MLA L. Nagendra will preside over the programme.

MP Pratap Simha, MLAs G.T. Devegowda, S.A. Ramdas and Dr. Yathindra Siddharamaiah and a host of other political leaders will take part, he said and added that the celebrations will take place by following Government SOPs and adherence to COVID appropriate behaviour.

Samiti members Anandur Puttasomachar, Sindhuvalli Lokesh, Nagamma, Pushpalatha and Suresh were present at the press meet.

U.S. Consulate General Officers visit Palace

Anne Lee Seshadri (left), Public Affairs Officer at the U.S. Consulate General in Chennai and Ratna Mukherjee, Public Engagement Specialist, Office of Public Affairs, US Consulate General, visited the Mysore Palace this morning. They also called on Pramoda Devi Wadiyar after going around the Palace. Picture shows the dignitaries with Palace Board Deputy Director T.S. Subramanya.

It is 'Ashtarathri' this time, not 'Navarathri'

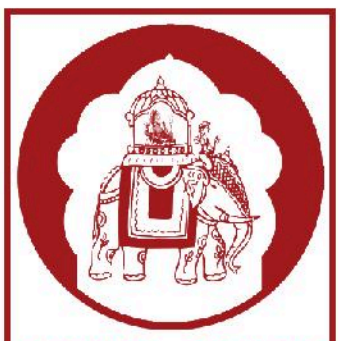
Scholars attribute change due to two 'thithis' falling on single day

Mysuru, Sept. 14 (RK&BCT)- It is an age-old tradition to celebrate Dasara as 'Navarathri' or nine nights where Goddess Sri Chamundeshwari is propitiated with various ceremonial rituals without a single lapse. But this year's celebrations will not be a 'Navarathri' but 'Ashtarathri' (eight nights) as two 'thithis' have fallen on the same day to be called 'upari'.

This year, Dasara begins on Oct. 7 and will conclude on Oct. 15. It will begin with 'Padya' and the eighth day (Oct. 14) will be 'Navami' and Oct. 15 (ninth day) will be Vijayadashami. As per traditions, this year, the pujas and rituals to Goddess will have to be performed in eight days instead of the usual nine days and Vijayadashami will fall on the ninth day instead of the usual 10 days.

On the first day of Sharannavarathri that falls on Oct. 7, pujas will begin with 'Padya' where the Goddess atop the Chamundi Hill will be propitiated as 'Shailavritha' (as she is 'Shailaputri'). On the second day, Oct. 8, a 'Bramhacharini' puja will be performed and on the third day, Oct. 9, 'Chandraghanta' puja will be offered to please the Goddess.

On the fourth day, Oct. 10 'Chaturthi' and 'Kooshmanda' pujas will be performed on the same day. This can slightly vary as on Oct. 10 'Chaturthi' and 'Kooshmanda' *pujas* can be performed along with the fifth day (Panchami on Oct. 11) rituals where the Goddess is worshipped as 'Skandamata'.



The chief difference in the rituals will be either on the fourth day (Chaturthi) or on the fifth day (Panchami). Either the third and fourth day rituals will be combined or the priests will perform fourth and fifth day rituals together. All the rituals of other days will not change and the Vijayadashami will be held on Oct. 15, the ninth day.

Panchanga calculations

The calculations have been reflected in the Vontikoppal Panchanga and also the Mysore Palace Panchanga and the rituals will be performed accordingly.

According to scholars, the change has occurred this year as the moon orbits around earth and even the earth has its own orbit around the sun and there is some change in the orbit that is reflected in the 'thithi' too.

Observing the change in the moon's rotation, Panchanga writers have recorded the timings and have calculated two 'thithis' in a single day. In 2015, there was 'Ashtami Upari' and as such, Ayudha Puja and Vijayadashami fell on the same day. Later, however, it was decided to celebrate Ayudha Puja and Vijayadashami on two separate days.

Dr. Shelvapillai Iyengar

Speaking to *Star of Mysore*, noted spiritual thinker, Dr. Shelvapillai Iyengar said that this year 'Navarathri' will be observed as 'Ashtarathri' due to a change from first till fifth 'thithi'. "However, there will be no change in any of the rituals and the priests have to perform two pujas in a single day. This will be decided by the priests based on the traditions they are following," he said.

Chief Priest of Sri Chamundeshwari Temple Dr. Shashishekar Dixit said that after all the 'adhika masa' (extra month) is calculated, there will be changes in the 'thithi'. "As such, once in four to five years, the phenomenon of 'Ashtarathri' (8 nights) and even 'Dasharathri' (10 nights) is witnessed. This year it is 'Ashtarathri' where two 'thithis' fall on a single day. However, there is no problem in this and this is not considered as a bad omen. This is only a minor change and all the rituals to the Goddess will be performed as per the set norms," he explained.

Dr. Shashishekar Dixit

Mahisha Dasara to be held on Oct. 5

Mysuru, Sept. 14 (RKB&DM)- Asserting that the name of Mysuru is derived from Mahishasura, who was not limited to any religion or caste, Prof. Mahesh Chandra Guru of Mahisha Dasara Acharana Samiti said that Mahisha Dasara will be celebrated on Oct.5, no matter the District Administration gives the permission or not.

Addressing a press meet here yesterday, Prof. Guru said that Mahisha Dasara is being celebrated as a mark of respecting the history. Maintaining that Mahisha is true to history, he alleged that Manuwadis were preventing Mahisha Dasara celebration.

Asserting that Mahisha Dasara is the Dasara of aborigines, he contended that Mahisha Dasara is not a counter to annual Dasara celebration and

hence the Government should grant permission.

Samiti President and former city Mayor Purushotham said that the celebrations will be marked with 'Pushparchane' (showering of flower petals) to the statue of Mahisha atop Chamundi Hill on Oct.5. Appealing the Government to accord permission for Mahisha Dasara, he questioned MP Pratap Simha why he was playing with the emotions of the people by obstructing the conduct of Mahisha Dasara.

Hindulida Vargagala Jagruta Vedike President K.S. Shivaramu, writer Prof. K.S. Bhagawan, Samiti's Siddaswami and Dalit Welfare Trust's Chikkandani were present at the press meet.

NEWS BRIEFS

SVANidhi inda Samriddhi Mela

Mysuru City Corporation (MCC) has organised 'SVANidhi inda Samriddhi Mela' at Town Hall in city at 10.30 am tomorrow (Sept. 15). The Mela is organised under PM Street Vendor's Atma Nirbhar Nidhi (SVANidhi) Scheme's street vendors social and economic survey.

Integrated M.Sc in Molecular Biology

Yuvaraja's College, Mysuru, is offering 5-year Integrated M.Sc course in Molecular Biology. Applications are invited from students who have PUC (10+2) or equivalent exams for admission to this research and career oriented course. Applications can be downloaded from the College website *[ycm.uni-mysore.ac.in]* Filled-in applications along with supporting documents must be submitted to the Department of Molecular Biology, Yuvaraja's College. Last date to apply is Oct. 1. [Ph: 0821-2419236]

Calling UPSC, KPSC aspirants

Krishik Sarvodaya Foundation, Mysuru Branch, has organised free interaction classes in connection with the UPSC / KPSC preliminary exams at the Foundation premises, Krishik Bhavan, CA-25, Gen. K.S. Thimayya Road, Vijayanagar 2nd Stage from Sept. 15 to 21 everyday at 5.30 pm. Interested may contact the Chief Co-ordinator Dr. G. Govindaraju on Ph: 0821-2301564 or 99457-52592 or 96116-05678.

WATER LEVEL

KRS DAM

Maximum	:	124.80	feet
Today	:	116.44	feet
Sunday	:	116.30	feet
Inflow	:	14,052	cusecs
Outflow	:	10,896	cusecs

KABINI DAM

Maximum	:	2,284.00	feet
Today	:	2,283.58	feet
Inflow	:	12,906	cusecs
Outflow	:	9,171	cusecs

HARANGI DAM

Maximum	:	2,859.00	feet
Today	:	2,858.62	feet
Inflow	:	5,024	cusecs
Outflow	:	3,850	cusecs

Mayor launches door-to-door garbage collection, segregation vehicles

Mysuru, Sept. 14 (MK&KS)- Mayor Sunanda Palanetra yesterday launched newly purchased vehicles for door-to-door garbage collection and segregation for all 65 Wards coming under Mysuru City Corporation (MCC).

Speaking after launching the vehicles at the MCC premises, the Mayor said that the 65 new vehicles were purchased at a cost of Rs. 3.5 crore under Swachh Bharat Mission for collection and segregation of garbage and household wastes.

She further said that as 'Nada Habba' Dasara is fast approaching, priority is being given to cleanliness and added that the MCC aims to bag the first place for Mysuru for 'Cleanest City in India' once again.

Pointing out that information on development and other programmes for Dasara would be given in a day or two, the Mayor said that as visitors and tourists arrive to Mysuru in large numbers for Dasara, more tourists can be attracted if Mysuru is garbage-free and hence, the MCC is working in this direction.

MCC Commissioner G. Lakshmikantha Reddy, who too spoke, said that the Supreme Court (SC) order on demolition of places of worship in public places will be followed.

Pointing out that a few persons had urged that there were places of worship that were built before 2009 in the prepared demolition list, he said that a programme is being framed for the demolition drive as per the SC order.

Corporators Pushpalatha Jagannath, Ashwini Ananthu, Ashwini Sharath, Chaya, Usha Kumar, Begum Pallavi, Arif Hussain and Sathyaraj, Deputy Commissioner (Development) Mahesh, Engineer Mruthyunjaya and others were present during the launch.

MCC conducts raid on banned flex businesses, collects Rs. 20,000 fine

Mysuru, Sept. 14 (SBD&KS)- Though Mysuru City Corporation (MCC) has banned usage of plastic flexes, buntings and banners in city, the rule is ignored as the banned flexes are seen put up on the thoroughfares of city which is marring the beauty of city.

Considering it as a serious offence, a team of MCC officials and staff yesterday raided various business establishments which were using the banned materials and have seized them.

The MCC team, led by Health Inspector Dr. Nagaraj, raided flex printing shops at Bamboo bazaar, Five Lights Circle, Ramaswamy Circle and other places and have collected total fines of Rs. 20,000 from shop owners for using the banned materials.

Dr. Nagaraj said that during the inspection of such shops, banned flex materials were being used for printing and fines have been imposed on them besides seizing the banned items. Warning has also been given against using the banned materials in future.

Meanwhile, Abhaya team of MCC, which went around the city yesterday, has removed flexes and banners put up on light poles, roadsides, road dividers, trees and other places in city.

Traffic Police clear footpath encroachments on Dr. Rajkumar Road

Mysuru, Sept. 14 (RK&KS)- The Mysuru City Traffic Police, who are acting tough of footpath encroachers, are continuing their drive against them by getting the encroachments cleared, registering cases and imposing fines on offenders.

Yesterday, Siddarthanagar Traffic Police personnel, with the help of Udayagiri and Nazarbad Police, conducted a drive on Dr. Rajkumar Road and got roadside shops that had come up on the footpaths evicted.

The Police warned of initiating legal action against those encroaching footpaths as it was causing a lot of inconvenience to pedestrians who were forced to walk on the busy road risking their lives.

The Police got the shops, vendors selling plastic items on footpaths, garages where vehicles were being repaired on footpaths cleared and made way for the movement of pedestrians on footpaths, said Assistant Commissioner of Police (Traffic) Gangadharswamy to *SOM*.

Man missing

B.T. Prakash

Mysuru, Sept. 14 (KS)- A 60-year-old man, who left his house on July 20 at about 9 am, saying that he was going to work, has since gone missing.

The missing person is B.T. Prakash. He is 4.6 ft. tall, round faced, normal built, wheatish complexioned, speaks Kannada, Tamil, Telugu and Hindi and was wearing a grey coloured shirt, blue jerkin and blue pant at the time of going missing.

Those having any information about the missing person may contact Kuvempunagar Police Station on Ph: 0821-2418324 or Police Control Room on Ph: 0821-2418339, according to a press release from the Police.

Obituary

Rehana Parveen

Mysuru, Sept. 14- Rehana Parveen (54), wife of Mansoor Ahmed, Proprietor of Ahmed & Co., Auditors & Tax Consultant, on Sayyaji Rao Road and a resident of Tilaknagar here, passed away at a private hospital in city yesterday following brief illness.

She leaves behind her husband, one son, one daughter and a host of relatives and friends.

Namaz-e-Janaza was held at Masjid-e-Eidgah near Mission Hospital after Namaz-e-Zohar today, followed by burial at Muslim Burial Grounds near Tipu Circle, according to sources.

PSI's abusive language row

Advocates stage snap stir in city

Mysuru, Sept. 14 (PM&DM)- Accusing a Police Sub-Inspector attached to a City Police Station of using abusive language against Lawyers, members of the Mysore Bar Association staged a snap stir in city yesterday.

The Advocates who gathered near Mahatma Gandhi's bust opposite the District Law Courts Complex here, staged a demonstration for over half an hour.

Maintaining that a male Lawyer had gone to the Police Station to meet his client and had called the PSI over phone as he (PSI) was not present, when the PSI used abusive and foul language against the Lawyer, the Bar members said that they would lodge a complaint with senior Police officials and also file a private complaint against the PSI in question at the Court.

Mysore Bar Association office-bearers Shivanna, Shivannegowda, Chandrashekar and Rudramurthy, Karnataka Bar Council Member B.R. Chandramouli and others were present.

Temple demolition: Vedike to stage demonstration on Sept. 16

Mysuru, Sept. 14 (RKB&DM)- Strongly condemning the administration's action of demolishing centuries old Mahadevamma Temple at Huchhagani village in Nanjangud taluk, the Hindu Jagarana Vedike will stage a demonstration in front of Kote Anjaneyaswamy Temple at the Palace North Gate on Sept. 16.

Addressing a press meet here yesterday, Vedike General Secretary Ullas said that the Uchhagani Temple was historic one built centuries ago. Maintaining that earlier, the Nanjangud Tahsildar had observed that the Temple could be regularised, he wondered why the Temple was razed overnight. The demonstration on Sept. 16 is to seek action against all officials who were responsible for the demolition of the historic temple, he said.

Vedike office-bearers Lakshminarayan, G. Rajan and Lohit were present.

Ex-Servicemen stage protest at Hunsur seeking Government land

Hunsur, Sept. 14 (KK&DM)- Urging the Government to sanction lands for them which they are rightfully entitled to, over 300 Ex-Servicemen, under the joint banner of Federation of All Karnataka Ex-Servicemen, Federation of Mysuru District Ex-Servicemen, Veera Vanitheyara Okkoota and Sathya Foundation, staged a demonstration near D. Devaraj Urs Statue at Hunsur on Sunday.

Addressing the protesters, Sathyappa, President of Sathya Foundation, said that a good number of Ex-Servicemen are living with their families at different Sainik Quarters that are located in Kasaba hobli and in areas between first and second part of Rathnapuri village in the taluk.

Pointing out that the Centre has reserved 5,000 acres of land for re-settlement of Ex-Servicemen, he claimed that only 284 out of the 350 Ex-Servicemen have got 8 acres of land as against the ten acres that they are entitled to get.

Noting that while the 284 Ex-Servicemen have been short allotted 2 acres of land, the remaining 66 have not got any land, Sathyappa maintained that repeated representations to the Taluk and District Administrations in this regard have proved futile, with the authorities remaining silent on their demand.

He urged the authorities to come to the help of Ex-Servicemen by distributing Government sanctioned lands in full to all the eligible Ex-Servicemen. Later a fresh memorandum was submitted to the Taluk Administration.

Earlier, the protesters marched in a procession from Old Bus Stand to D. Devaraj Urs statue.

Office-bearers of various Federations — Shivanna, K.P. Diwakar, Rajani, P.K. Biddappa, Basappa, Nanjundaswamy, Venu, Kumaraswamy, Ramesh and others — took part in the protest.

RTI activist gets murder threat

Complaint, counter complaint lodged at Nazarbad Police Station

Mysuru, Sept. 14 (BCT)- RTI activist Gangaraju, who is instrumental in bringing out many land scams and shady deals by the high and mighty in Mysuru, has lodged a complaint with Nazarbad Police that a contractor flashed a pistol at him. The complaint was lodged on Sept. 8 night. Based on the complaint, the Police have registered a case against contractor Ramachandra from Kailasapuram and others as per the provisions of Indian Arms Act and the Indian Penal Code.

In his complaint, Gangaraju has said that on Sept. 8 afternoon he was travelling on a bike with another social activist Krishnareddy and had been to the City Police Commissioner's office. After the visit, he came on the road where Sandesh the Prince Hotel is located where Ramachandra and his accomplices waylaid his vehicle.

Gangaraju said that some goons came towards him and assaulted him. "They abused me and threatened to kill me if I did not withdraw my complaint against an influential person from Mysuru. Ramachandra pointed the pistol at my head and asked me not to speak on the land encroachment issue to anyone and make an issue and also not to give any statements," Gangaraju wrote in his complaint.

Interestingly, on the same day, Ramachandra too lodged a complaint with the Nazarbad Police Station that Gangaraju had issued a murder threat and had abused his caste.

The Police are examining both the complaints.

Irwin Road widening hurdles to be cleared

Mysuru, Sept. 14 (RK&BCT)- All the bottlenecks for the widening of the much delayed and much controversial Irwin Road will be cleared within a month, Mysuru-Kodagu MP Pratap Simha told reporters at a press conference at Jaladarshini Guest House yesterday.

Now the only contentious property on the road is the Jumma Masjid. The Wakf Board that manages the Masjid has told the Mysuru City Corporation (MCC) that it does not want the compensation money but the MCC should build similar dome structure and minarets and also provide land in some other area to compensate the land loss to the Jumma Masjid.

"This issue has to be cleared at Government level and talks are on. Already, the Wakf Board authorities have been taken into confidence and they have agreed to leave the Masjid land that is required to widen the road and the issue will be sorted out within a month," the MP said.

Similar to Irwin Road, a Temple at Kalasthawadi has to be vacated to facilitate the construction of a National Highway. "Discussions are on to deviate the road to save the Temple and our main intention is to build the road and at the same time save religious structures. Alternative ways and means will be chalked out to find an amicable solution," he said.

Farmers demand running of MySugar factory under Govt.

Mandya, Sept. 14 (MR&DM)- Urging for running the near century old State-owned MySugar factory under the Government itself, farmers under the banner of Mandya District Raitha Hitarakshana Samiti staged a demonstration in front of Sir M. Visvesvaraya statue at Mandya yesterday.

Demanding that office of the Commissioner for Sugar at Bengaluru and Sugarcane Research Centre at Mandya must not be shifted to Belagavi for any reason, the farmers asked the Government to make an announcement on continuing the factory under the Government, at the ongoing Legislature Session.

Accusing the BJP Government of making efforts to lease out the factory to private players, they alleged that the Government is not showing any interest for beginning crushing operations at the factory. They warned of launching a massive demonstration if the Government fails to make any announcement on resuming MySugar factory operations at the earliest.

Legislators M. Srinivas, K.T. Srikantegowda and N. Appajigowda, KPCC Member M.D. Jayaram, farmer leader Sunanda Jayaram, CITU leader C. Kumari and leaders of several other organisations took part in the protest.

This year too forest families miss Mysuru Dasara trip

Dasara elephants, mahouts and kavadis, who arrived in city yesterday, relaxing at Aranya Bhavan in Ashokapuram, Mysuru, this morning.

Each male elephant insured for Rs. 3.5 lakh premium, female elephants Rs. 2.4 lakh each, mahouts and kavadis insured for Rs. 1 lakh each

Mysuru, Sept. 14 (MTY&KS)- Like last year, this year too, families and relatives of mahouts and kavadis will miss their annual Dasara trip to Mysuru. The Forest Department has taken a decision in this regard as bringing the families to Mysuru would be a risky affair though Coronavirus cases are on a rapid decline.

Usually, hundreds of family members arrive along with the elephants to the Mysore Palace and are housed in sheds inside. As the sheds are crowded and even the family members venture out of the Palace for shopping and eating during their stay, the Department has decided to play safe.

Yesterday, eight elephants, led by Captain Abhimanyu, arrived at Aranya Bhavan premises along with 38 staff including the assistants of mahouts and kavadis. While Golden Howdah carrying elephant Abhimanyu and first-timer Ashwathama are tied separately, the remaining elephants are tied together and are being fed with *Kusure* (a mixture of hay, jaggery and other ingredients made into balls) and Banyan leaves.

Deputy Conservator of Forests (DCF) Dr. V. Karikalan said that all the eight elephants were hale and healthy and would be housed in Aranya Bhavan till the early hours of Sept. 16. On that day at 6.30 am, the Department will offer traditional puja and the elephants will be marched to Mysore Palace, where they will be accorded a traditional welcome.

The elephants will enter the Palace premises through Jayamarthanda Gate between 8.36 am and 9.11 am. Entry for the public at Aranya Bhavan has been restricted. Meanwhile, the shelter for elephants, mahouts, kavadis and their assistants have been readied at Mysore Palace premises.

Elephant insurance

Special diet for elephants and training would begin from Sept. 19. The District Administration has insured the elephants, mahouts and kavadis to financially cover the damage to public and private properties if any. The insurance is valid till Oct. 25.

While Rs. 3.5 lakh each is the premium for male elephants, the premium for female elephants is Rs. 2 lakh each. Mahouts and kavadis have also been insured by paying a premium of Rs. 1 lakh.

Oscar Fernandes passes away

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The mortal remains of Fernandes was kept at Udupi DCC office at 10 am today. The body will be taken to Mother of Sorrows Church and later to his ancestral house at Mangaluru. On Wednesday, the funeral mass will be held at Milagres Church, Mangaluru, at 10 am and the body will be airlifted to Bengaluru in the evening. The mortal remains will be kept for public viewing at the KPCC Office on Queen's Road on Thursday at 10 am. After the prayers at St. Patrick's Church at 3.30 pm, the burial will take place at Hosur Road Cemetery.

Oscar was born on Mar. 27, 1941 to Roque Fernandes and Leonissa Fernandes, who was the first Women's Bench Magistrate of undivided Dakshina Kannada district.

Oscar had his education at St. Cecily's Convent School, at Board High school and in MGM College, Udupi. Before joining politics, he served in LIC for a brief period and tried his luck by running an enterprise at Manipal.

Oscar was very close to AICC leaders Sonia Gandhi and Rahul Gandhi and had served as Rajiv Gandhi's Parliament Secretary. In the Manmohan Singh Cabinet, he held transport and labour portfolios and worked as AICC's Central Election Authority Chairman.

Oscar was elected twice as KPCC President in the 1980s. He climbed up the ladder at the national level by winning the seventh Lok Sabha election from Udupi Constituency. For the next four consecutive Lok Sabha elections, Oscar won from the same seat. He was elected to the Rajya Sabha in 1998 and re-elected in 2004.

Oscar also served as Union Minister from 2004 to 2009, holding various portfolios including youth and sports affairs, NRI affairs, among others.

Apart from political activities, he also founded the 'Jolly Club' NGO where he had arranged a library room facility for youths to cultivate their reading habits.

Having penchant for various sports, Oscar was a Kuchipudi dancer and an able musical instrument player. He was good at playing the harmonium, keyboard and tabla, besides he also composed poems and was a singer too.

Prime Minister Narendra Modi expressing condolences said, "Saddened by the demise of Rajya Sabha MP Shri Oscar Fernandes Ji. In this sad hour, my thoughts and prayers are with his family and well-wishers. May his soul rest in peace."

AICC former President Rahul Gandhi, Former Chief Ministers Siddharamaiah and Veerappa Moily, Congress General Secretary (Organisation) K.C. Venugopal and others have also expressed their condolences.

No demolition of places of worship for now, says DC

'Status quo will be maintained till further orders'

Mysuru, Sept. 14 (PM&DM)- As the move of Mysuru District Administration and the Mysuru City Corporation's (MCC) to demolish over 93 identified illegal religious structures at public places became a major controversy attracting the State Government's attention, Mysuru Deputy Commissioner (DC) Dr. Bagadi Gautham has said that the demolition drive has been suspended until further orders from the Government.

Dr. Gautham

Speaking to press persons at his office this morning, Dr. Gautham said that there would be no demolition of places of worship for now and the District Administration would wait for the Government directions and the status quo will be maintained.

"We are waiting for the Government's instructions on the next course of action regarding the Supreme Court order on the matter. As such, the demolition drive has been suspended until the Government issues a clear direction on what to do next. We will stop the drive against religious structures temporarily," the DC noted.

Referring to the demolition of Huchhagani Aadishakti Mahadevamma Temple in Nanjangud, the DC said that a report will be shortly sent to the Government. Pointing out that Nanjangud Tahsildar has been instructed to file a detailed note on the incident following which a report will be compiled and submitted to the Government.

However, the DC declined to give further details saying that official correspondence with the Govt. is going on in this regard.

Youth killed in road accident

Mysuru, Sept. 14 (RK&KS)- A youth, working as a loader of a goods auto, was killed on the spot when he came under the wheels of a truck near Bidarahalli Hundi Gate on Bannur Road at about 12.15 pm today.

The deceased has been identified as Kiran (27), a resident of Biligere in Nanjangud taluk.

It is learnt that the truck and a goods auto were proceeding from Bannur side towards Mysuru and when the truck tried to overtake the goods auto, it brushed the auto resulting in Kiran, who was sitting with the goods behind the goods auto, lost his grip and fell under the wheels of the truck which ran over him, killing him instantly. The truck driver fled from the spot soon after the accident.

Varuna Police Sub-Inspector Lakshmi and staff, who rushed to the spot, conducted mahazar, registered a case, shifted the body to MMC&RI mortuary and has launched a hunt to nab the absconding truck driver.

Mysuru NCC gets India's first Microlight Simulator

The 3 Karnataka Girls Battalion NCC building near Ramaswamy Circle in city that houses Microlight Simulator Room.

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Group Commander Col. R.R. Menon further said that the Simulator is capable of simulating day time, night time and bad weather scenarios to give the cadets an experience of flying under such conditions and assimilate better when they are exposed to real-time flying.

"The constant upgradation of training infrastructure will not only provide an opportunity to showcase their capabilities but will also provide multi-dimensional exposure to the cadets," he said and added, "The Flight Simulator would enable cadets to fly solo also. It will go a long way in training Air cadets and this would also save fuel costs."

The Virus SW is the most economical high-speed cruiser and the fastest high-wing aircraft family in its category. It is the only light aircraft that combines pure speed with unprecedented fuel economy. It can operate from elevations from sea-level up to 15,000 feet, take-off and land on short runways.

Earlier, the NCC DG was accorded a ceremonial guard of honour and also presented DG's medallions to Senior Under Officer (SUO) K.M. Poorvi Gowda from PES College, Mandya, 14 Kar Battalion NCC, SUO N. Nabeel Ahmed, Sarada Vilas College, 13 Kar Battalion NCC, Cadet Vivek Shinde, SBRR Mahajana FG College, 4 Kar Air Squadron NCC and plaque to Girl Cadet Instructor Lekshmi Das, 3 Kar Girls Battalion NCC.

The medallions were handed over for their exemplary work done by them in various NCC activities including COVID relief work. The DG NCC was later briefed by Group Commander Col. Menon on all activities being carried out by NCC in Mysuru. The General Officer interacted with cadets, ANOs, CTOs and staff of NCC. The Director General left to Bengaluru by road this morning.

Slew of protests in city

Mysuru, Sept.14 (PM&DM)- The city was witness to a slew of protests this morning with various associations taking out demonstrations over various issues at different venues.

Strongly opposing the celebration of Hindi Divas, members of Karnataka Raskhana Vedike staged a demonstration in front of the SBI Mysuru Head office at Nehru Circle on Ashoka road .

Seeking a revision of language policy of the Union Government, the protestors strongly condemned the imposition of Hindi at all levels of Governance. Charging the Centre of clandestinely imposing Hindi on Non-Hindi speaking people, they urged the Government to give due recognition to Kannada in appointments. Highlighting the importance of conducting competitive exams in Kannada along with English, the protestors warned of intensifying protest if the Centre does not revise its Hindi dominated language policy. Vedike District President Praveen Kumar and others took part in the protest.

Karnataka Jana Sainya staged a demonstration at the City Railway Station Circle (Dr.Babu Jagjivan Ram Circle) in protest against Hindi Diwas. The protestors urged the Government to use Kannada compulsorily at all Railway Stations in the State, printing of advance ticket booking forms in Kannada, replacing the three-language policy with a twin language formula (Kannada and English), prominence to Kannadigas in awarding Railway contracts, Printing of Railway tickets in only Kannada and English across Karnataka and conduct of Civil services and other Union Government recruitment exams for appointment in public sector under takings such as Railways, Banks and other enterprises in Kannada along with English. Jana Sainya office-bearers G. Sridhar, S. Paramesh and others took part.

Kannadambe Raskhana Vedike and Kasturi Karnataka Nyayapara Vedike too staged separate demonstrations against Hindi Diwas at Gandhi Square in the heart of the city.

In other demonstrations, members of Mysuru City and District Brahmins Association staged a protest in front of Dattatreya temple on Chamaraja Double Road (100 ft. Road), urging the District Administration to stop demolition of places of worship that are enlisted by it.

Association President D.T. Prakash, Karnataka Brahmin Development Board Director M.R. Balakrishna, community leaders Vikram Iyengar, Rakesh Bhat, Kadakola Jagadish, Vinay Kanagal and others took part.

Chetan M.Gowda of Jago Mysuru staged a solo demonstration in front of Mahatma Gandhi's bust opposite the District Law Courts Complex, urging the Government to halt demolition drive and save places of worship .

Employees of Nanjangud based Krehan Texchem Pvt. Ltd.,(KTPL), under the banner of AIUTUC, staged a demonstration in front of the Deputy Commissioner's office , seeking fulfillment of their demands, which included recognition of their Constitutionally formed Factory Labour Union, which has over 500 membership, re-employment of six sacked employees who were sacked illegally, payment of Gratuity of the old company in the format of Karnataka Labour Department Gratuity Act and direction to the Factory management to honour the bilateral agreement reached on Nov.11, 2020, among others.

The protestors submitted a memorandum at the DC's office containing their charter of demands. Earlier, the employees took out a bike rally from the Factory premises at Nanjangud to the DC office.

Union Leaders Chandrashekar Meti, T.N.Lokesh, Suresh, Mahadevaswamy, Shankaregowda, H.Vikram and others took part in the protest.

As cases decline, demand to lift night curfew renews

Do not lower guard, warn experts

Mysuru, Sept. 14 (BCT)- With the daily COVID-19 count falling below 50 in Mysuru for the first time after a long gap, stakeholders of the tourism and hotel sector have demanded the withdrawal of the existing night curfew from 9 pm to 5 am.

In a press release this morning, Mysuru Hotel Owners Association President C. Narayanagowda said that the Government should have lifted the night curfew when the weekend lockdown was lifted. "When all types of business and travel including flights are permitted and at a time when events are held in choultries and halls till midnight, why only hotels, bars, clubs and restaurants are asked to close at 9 pm," he asked.

However, the Technical Advisory Committee (TAC) has asked the Karnataka Government to strictly enforce COVID norms as the third wave could hit the State in October-November. "It will be a total mess if guidelines are not followed at this stage," TAC said at its meeting on Sept. 11. It noted that even if the State is witnessing less number of fresh cases daily, the Government should not lower its guard during festivals as it will bring the third wave.

Notably, the night curfew has been criticised for laxity in enforcement. While traffic is as usual, shops and establishments down shutters fearing harassment by the Police.

Zero cases in Nanjangud, Periyapatna and H.D. Kote

Meanwhile, yesterday in Mysuru, only 39 people tested positive and there have been no deaths. Also, three taluks — Nanjangud, Periyapatna and H.D. Kote — reported zero cases. As per the data released by the District Administration, the active cases tally stands at 737. The test positivity rate stands at 0.84 percent.

Till date, Mysuru has reported 1,76,912 cases with 1,73,800 patients discharged. Three patients were discharged on Monday. Among the new cases reported, five are between 11 and 17 years old.

Of the 39 cases that were reported yesterday, 31 are from Mysuru city and the rest from K.R. Nagar, Mysuru taluk and Hunsur. Mysuru has 492 active patients, Hunsur has 54 cases, K.R. Nagar has 49, Periyapatna 47, Mysuru taluk has 36, Nanjangud 30, H.D. Kote has 23 and T. Narasipur has six active cases.

No power supply on Sept .19

Mysuru, Sept. 14- Owing to emergency maintenance works, power supply will be disrupted on Sept. 19 between 9 am and 6 pm in thew following villages.

Nagarle, Beligere, Mallupura, Suttur villages and Gram Panchayat limits, according to a press release from Chamundeshwari Electricity Supply Corporation (CESC).

Book talk

City with many colourful feathers

By R. Chandra Prakash

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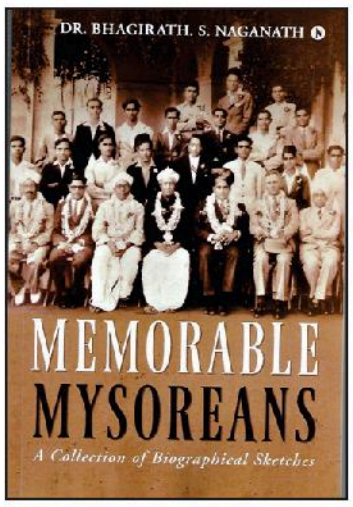
Mysore city has several epithets — Heritage City, Cultural City, Educational City, Capital City, a Planned City, Garden City, Yoga City and many others as well. Among all of them, it being called a Cultural City would encompass most other qualities attributed to Mysore. Because culture is an amalgam of excellence in every human field and long-standing values.

Mysore has been known for its excellence in Arts, Music, Dance, Drama, Architecture, Temples and Educational Institutions. University of Mysore is hundred years old, its Maharaja's College is older than a century, so also Yuvaraja's College and Maharani's College have a standing of more than 60 to 70 years. The National Institute of Engineering (NIE) is one of the oldest such Colleges in the country with its own name and fame. Mysore Medical College (MMC) is one of the oldest in Southern India. Sanskrit Patashala and Oriental Research Institute (ORI), Mysore, have their own renowned history and contributions.

Such cultural activities and institutions became the norm of the city mainly because of Royal initiatives and patronage. Consequently, over a period, city became home for hundreds of eminent people in every walk of city's cultural life. They became the symbol of excellence in their respective fields. However, with the arrival of national Independence and democracy, Royalty ended. And so also Mysore's pre-eminence in the fields which were the hallmark of the city. Names of eminent men and women of the past abated from the memory of the post-dependent generation.

Unique Book

The title of the book is self-explanatory. It is a book containing biographical sketches of eminent people who made Mysore proud. This book is unique in many ways.



Title: Memorable Mysoreans: A Collection of Biographical Sketches
Author: Dr. Bhagirath S. Naganath
Year: 2021
Pages: 225
Price: Rs. 249
Publisher: Notion Press Media Pvt Ltd.

First, this book is an example of contributions to the recollection of cultural heritage of the city by *Star of Mysore*, our daily evening English newspaper. Most of the contents of this book were published as feature articles by *Star of Mysore* between 2016-2020.

Second, this book is the outcome of a suggestion by the Centenarian lexicographer and littérateur, late G. Venkatasubbiah who wanted that these feature articles be collected in one place as a book.

Third, the book contains twenty biographical sketches of what the author calls as *"remarkable personalities... stalwarts and their lasting contributions left behind a lasting legacy on the intellectual landscape of Mysore and India on the whole."*

Fourth, the biographical sketches are fully supported and enriched by 144 relevant photographs of bygone era.

Fifth, this book is a product of diligent research work as can be seen from the references at the end of each write up and the list of 65 Biography and Sources of Reference at the end of the book.

Sixth, the author of this book belongs to younger generation and that too a medical doctor by profession. And he has a credible ancestry — he is the grandson of eminent historian and Indologist Dr. S. Srikanta Sastri.

Author Dr. Bhagirath S. Naganath

Seventh, writing style of the author is befitting the historical narrative and makes a reader to stick on to the book till it is fully read.

Lastly, as the author states on the back page, *"More than just a chronicle of academicians and writers, this book serves to encapsulate a glorious era in Mysore's history, where genuine merit, scholarship and integrity meant more than base notions of caste, corruption and nepotism."*

Biographical sketches of stalwarts — H.V. Nanjundaiah, Sir Brajendranath Seal, Dr. R. Shamashastry, Prof. M. Hiriyanna, Krishnappa Venkatappa, Field Marshal K.M. Cariappa, Dr. M.H. Krishna, Pitilu Chowdaiah, V. Seetharamaiah, Dr. S. Srikanta Sastri, D.L. Narasimhachar, G. Venkatasubbiah, Y.G. Krishnamurti, Dr. M. Shadakshara Swamy, Dr. H.S. Krishnaswamy Iyengar, H.Y. Sharada Prasad, H.N. Murthy, Triveni, Dr. T.V. Venkatachala Sastry and Nadoja Dr. S.R. Ramaswamy are provided along with appropriate and very rare photographs.

Typography used and the overall presentation of the book is aesthetically attractive and easy to read. From the point of view of the rich content of the book, the price is also reasonable.

Memorable Mysoreans is a must book for the younger generation of Mysoreans who love Mysore for all its past glory, but might not have had the opportunity to get acquainted with its stalwarts and eminent men and women who contributed to the glory of city's bygone era.

Hope, *Star of Mysore* will continue to inspire many more young writers to bring out their write-ups as books.

Online workshop for Tamil teachers and research scholars at CIIL

Mysuru, Sept. 14 - A five-day online training-cum-workshop on Testing & Evaluation and Item writing for the Assistant Professors / Lecturers / Teachers (Secondary and Higher Secondary) and Research Scholars across India and who are engaged in the teaching of Tamil (language, linguistics and literature) began at National Testing Service-India (NTS-I) of Central Institute of Indian Languages (CIIL), Mysuru, on Sept. 13 (Monday).

Prof. P. R. Dharmesh Fernandez, Deputy Director of CIIL and Head, CT&E briefed about the activities undertaken by CIIL and its schemes. He also highlighted the importance of testing and evaluation methods in the current education system including competitive exams.

Dr. Pankaj Dwivedi, Officer In-charge of NTS-I, welcomed and briefed the participants about the objectives of the programme as well as about NTS-I activities.

Dr. L.R. Prem Kumar, OIC, BVP, who was also present on the occasion, said that teaching and testing are the two faces of the same coin. So, a teacher must evaluate the progress of student in every step of learning.

Prof. P. Ratnasabapathy, former Director, TIERA, Chennai; Prof. T. Sethupandian, former Professor of Linguistics, Madurai Kamaraj University, Madurai; Prof. Sam Mohanlal, former Professor-cum-Deputy Director, CIIL; Dr. M. Balakumar, former Head, NTS-I, CIIL; Dr. V. Ilangovan, formerly SRP of NTS-I and NTS-I faculties Dr. R. Shakunthala, Dr. A.R. Muthukkaruppan, Dr. A. Eswaran and technical JRPs Ancy Thomas, K.S. Raghavan, Dr. Amit Kumar Jha and Kashyap will train the participants in various academic and technical sessions.

Dr. Pankaj Dwivedi, Lecturer-cum-Junior Research Officer, CIIL & Officer-In charge, NTS-I is the Coordinator and Dr. Prem Kumar, Lecturer-cum-Junior Research Officer, CIIL & Officer In-charge of Bharatavani Project is Co-coordinator of this workshop. Prof. Shailendra Mohan, Director, CIIL, Mysuru is the overall patron of the workshop.

About 126 Assistant Professors, School Teachers and Research Scholars, who are engaged in teaching of Tamil from various Schools, Universities and Colleges of India, are participating.

St. Joseph's PU College Principal bags 'Teaching Excellence Award

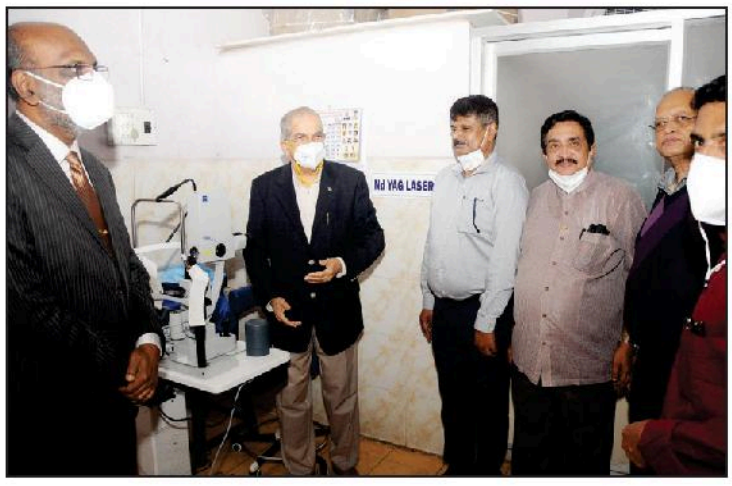
Dr. Anto Richard, Principal of St. Joseph's PU College at Jayalakshmipuram in city, seen receiving the Teaching Excellence Award-2021, Pride of Education, Teachers' Day Award from Puducherry Minister for Agriculture Mr. C. Djeacoumar at a function held at Puducherry recently. Others seen are Mentor of Achariya World Class Education, Puducherry, J. Aravindan and Superintendent of Police Dr. Rachana Singh. Dr. Anto was conferred with the award for his academic contributions in the field of history and research publication pertaining to 'Princely State of Mysore.'

World Hearing Forum accords 'Membership' to JSS Institute

Mysuru, Sept. 14- JSS Institute of Speech and Hearing (JSSISH), Mysuru, has been accorded 'Membership' by the World Hearing Forum (WHF) from 2021-2023 recognising its work in the field of Hearing Science (Audiology) and its service to the individuals with hearing problems.

World Hearing Forum is a part of World Health Organisation (WHO) working with objectives of undertaking advocacy efforts for galvanising support and raising awareness for ear and hearing care and promoting networking for knowledge sharing.

Lions Club donates latest Ophthalmic equipment to K.R. Hospital



Mysuru, Sept.14 (SPN&DM)- Continuing its service to the society, the Lions Clubs International Foundation (LCIF), Mysuru, donated 'Zeiss operating microscope Lumera', a modern ophthalmic equipment, to the Ophthalmology Department of K.R. Hospital in city yesterday.

Adichunchanagiri University Vice-Chancellor Dr. S. Chandrashekar Shetty handed over the equipment to the Hospital authorities at a simple function organised in K.R. Hospital premises.

Speaking on the occasion, Dr. Chandrashekar Shetty said that the equipment costing Rs. 26 lakh will be of much help to patients who undergo surgeries for eye nerve disorder.

Stating that Lions Club has provided grants for the research being carried out by ophthalmologists Dr. Raghavendra, Dr. Subrata S. Hegde, Dr.Madhuri Parande, Dr. Sandhya Diwakar and Dr. P. Kamalakar at various Institutes, he lauded the efforts of the MMC&RI in upgrading the infrastructure at K.R. Hospital.

Pointing out that LCIF has planned to construct a modern operating theatre, a seminar hall and an ultra-modern eye-testing facility at the Ophthalmology Department of K.R. Hospital at a cost of about Rs. 2.15 crore, he said that the Government too has provided more than 10 ophthalmogical equipment to the Hospital.

LCIF members G. P. Diwakar and K.S. Gururaj, MMC&RI Dean and Director Dr. C.P. Nanjaraj, Principal Dr. K.R. Dakshayini, CAO B.N. Veena, Ophthalmology Department Head Dr. K. Satish, faculty Dr. D. N. Prakash, Dr. N. Manjula Devi, Dr. C. N. Madhusudhan, Dr. Raghavendra, Dr. R. Swathi and Dr. Sandhya, K.R. Hospital Medical Superintendent Dr. B.L. Nanjundaswamy, Diabetes Research Institute's former Director Dr. M.A. Shekar and others were present on the occasion.

Awareness programme on COVID-19 third wave

Mysuru, Sept. 14- The STG First Grade College at Chinakurali, Pandavapura, held an awareness programme on 'COVID-19 third wave' recently.

The chief guest for the event was Prashanth, Principal, Christ The King PU College, K.R. Pet. The guests of honour on the occasion were T. Maruti, Principal of STG PU College and Nivedita Nagesh, Administrative Officer of the STG Group of Institutions.

Prashanth, in his address, spoke on the impact of the pandemic on common people of the country and expressed his happiness about the students and staff of STG First Grade College completing the vaccination drive of both the doses.

He advised the student fraternity to take up the cause and create awareness amongst the rural community about the ongoing pandemic situation and the importance of vaccination.

Maruti urged the students of Arts, Science and Commerce wing to take a lead in innovative research to face the uncertain challenges in the future and asked them to set an example to become role models for others.

Nivedita Nagesh reiterated the need for precautions in the pandemic. She regretted the declining economic trend and its negative impact on the common man. She said that the youths have an important role in mitigating the effects of the pandemic.

Vice-Principal Dr. Nishanth A. Naidu introduced the guests and also conveyed the message of CEO C.P. Shivraju, STG Group Institutions. At the programme, it was announced that the institution would give special discount in fee and benefits to the meritorious and economically backward students seeking admissions in the BA wing.

Nisarga of I B.Com welcomed the gathering. Priyanka of I B.Com proposed a vote of thanks. The programme was jointly anchored by Fareen Taj of II B.Com and Arun Kumar of II B.Sc.

Fee waivers

Fee waiver for the 2nd PU students of all the PU Colleges of Mandya district studying in the academic year 2020-21 who have obtained outstanding scores and for those hailing from economically backward communities:

• Top five students with the highest scores are eligible for a 50% fee waiver (Tuition fee of Rs. 8,000 reduced to Rs. 4,000)

• Ten students from economically backward communities are eligible for a 25% fee waiver (Tuition fee of Rs. 8,000 reduced to Rs. 6,000) For details, contact Vice-Principal Dr. Nishant Naidu on Mob: 96069-80549, according to a press release.

Legal miners are facing threats: Mandya MP

Won't interfere in illegal mining issue, asserts Kumaraswamy

Sumalatha

Kumaraswamy

Mandya, Sept. 14 (Mohan Raj&BCT)- Throwing down the gauntlet at illegal mining again, Mandya MP Sumalatha Ambarish has alleged that people who are doing illegal mining around the Krishna Raja Sagar (KRS) Dam and also in many areas inside Pandavapura are threatening legal miners. "Now both legal and illegal mining have been stopped. Unfortunately, the illegal lot is threatening legal miners these days and people are scared to resume mining," she said.

Speaking to reporters after inaugurating a bus shelter at Vivekananda Double Road yesterday, Sumalatha said that people who had indulged in illegal mining and who have caused much destruction to the environment and also threatened the very safety of KRS Dam are facing deep losses now as their trade has been shut.

"But they are now threatening the legal mine owners. I have credible information that they have been calling up the legal miners asking them not to start mining — even if it is legal — until all mining activities reopen in the district. This is the reason why even legal mining has been stopped," she said.

Lashing out at JD(S) legislators of Mandya for their personal remarks against her, the Mandya MP said that personal attacks have started ever since she filed her nomination papers. "People have given a befitting reply but still the MLAs and their bosses have not learnt a lesson and have been continuing personal attacks. Let them speak about Mandya's development. By commenting on trivial issues like my letterhead that has Sumalatha Ambarish or Sumalatha Amarnath, the JD(S) leaders are belittling their positions and also diverting people's attention," she charged.

MySugar factory: Reacting on restarting the MySugar factory, the MP said that she has no issues on whoever starts the factory. "Even if the Government does it or if any private player does it, it does not matter. The main issue here is that the factory must begin as it benefits thousands of farmers. The factory has not been started despite efforts and we are testing the patience of farmers," she added.

Sarcastic Kumaraswamy

On a visit yesterday to Keelara village in Mandya where farmer Shankaregowda has mysteriously lost 20 cattle heads, former CM H.D. Kumaraswamy refused to comment on Sumalatha's statements on illegal mining and also refused to intervene in the stand-off between miners and the Government.

"I will not intervene in the con-fusion between legal and illegal mining and the Government decisions. There are many capable people in Mandya who can stop illegal mining in Mandya," he said, not forgetting to be sarcastic. Without mentioning Sumalatha's name and obviously targeting her, he said, "there are many powerful people here. Let them solve all the problems. What is the need for me to intervene."

Sumalatha promises to bring Madiwala Community in SC list

Srirangapatna, Sept.14 (VK & DM)- Mandya MP Sumalatha Ambarish said that she will raise the issue of bringing Madiwala community in the list of Scheduled Castes (SC).

She was speaking at the inauguration of Mandya District unit of Madiwala Okkoota and Machideva awards conferment programme organised at Ambedkar Bhavan in Srirangapatna yesterday.

Observing that Madiwala community is economically, academically, socially and politically backward, she said that she will draw the attention of the Union and State Governments on bringing the community under the SC list.

She also promised to release Rs.10 lakh in two instalments for the construction of Madiwala Machidevara Bhavan at Srirangapatna.

Political leader Induvalu Sachidananda, a close associate of late actor Ambarish and Chief Promoter of N. Shankaregowda Charitable Trust, assured to donate Rs. 5 lakh for the construction of the Bhavan.

Madiwala Okkoota State President Kateelu Sanjeev, office-bearers Prof. Annapoornamma, Maralagala Manjunath, B.T. Gururaj, Palahalli Mukund and others were present.

WORD OF THE DAY

Suborn

Pronunciation: suh-BORN.
Meaning: To persuade (someone) to do something illegal (such as to lie in a court of law)." It can also mean "to obtain (false testimony) from a witness by persuasion."
Origin: Suborn is from Latin subornare, which translates literally as "to secretly furnish or equip." The sub- that brings the "secretly" meaning to subornare more commonly means "under" or "below," but it has its stealthy meaning in the etymologies of several other English words, including surreptitious (from sub- and rapere, meaning "to seize") and the verb suspect (from sub- or sus- and specere, meaning "to look at"). The ornare (meaning "to furnish") of subornare is also at work in the words ornate, adorn, and ornament.
Example: "Because suborning perjury is not a mistake, nor is suppressing evidence. These acts are intentional." — Melinda Henneberger, The Kansas City Star, 13 Nov. 2020.

THE ODD WORD

Salpinx

Ancient Greek trumpet.

IDIOM OF THE DAY

Snail mail

Meaning: Refers to mail that was carried by the traditional postal delivery service.
Origin: The phrase refers to the long time it takes mail to reach its destination from the moment it's sent, as the slow pace of a snail. The first recorded use of the phrase was in a 1942 article posted in the Lowell Sun, however, not until it was common to use Emails to transfer messages and information in the early 1990's, the slowness of conventional mail was so blunt.
Example: Daria –"I didn't get your wedding invitation yet and the wedding is in 3 days." Ruth –"Well, I guess that's why it's called Snail Mail, cause I've mailed the invitations 2 weeks ago and they still haven't arrived, though we live in the same city."

QUOTE BOX

To write is human, to receive a letter: Divine! — **Susan Lendroth**

RIDDLE THIS

Solve the rebus:

Answer: End on a high note.

CROSS WORD

ACROSS:
1 A stone fruit
5 Assoc. of Pub. Add. Engrs.
9 Mayawati's party
12 Ireland, once
13 Wood cutting tools
14 Haw's partner?
15 See what's in the book
16 Outlook or perceptive
18 Dissimilar
20 Ship's base
21 Sculpt out of stone, etc.
23 Mineral spring resorts
26 Oval shape
29 ____ - be: intended rather than actual?
30 Battery size
31 Sparkling pear drink
33 "Bad Behaviour" star Stephen
34 Hindu sun-god
36 Suffering from mal de mer
38 Border
39 Compass point at the top
40 Change of Govt. : coup d'____
42 Musical studies
46 Hardened or became bonelike
49 I have __ __ : departing words? (2,2)
50 Internet addresses
51 "A" in A.D. ?
52 Eye part
53 Cleaning agent
54 Frees or relieves from
55 Informal goodie given on top of salary

DOWN
1 Lima is its capital city
2 Legal right
3 Mountain range
4 Italian dynasty - "ice mid" anagram
5 Slander
6 Equality
7 Opened one's eyes
8 Being in Latin
9 Chowpatty fare (4,4)
10 Dry (as with wines)
11 Treat with favouritism; fondle or indulge
17 Mexican coin
19 Greek "k"
22 Left-hand page
24 Ex-English wicket keeper Stewart
25 Pierre is its cap. (1,3)
26 Make less painful
27 Praise
28 Bounty, generously bestowed gifts
29 Lawman Earp
32 Screen behind an altar
35 Himalayan myth
37 Stop talking (4,2)
39 Former South African paceman Makhaya ___
41 At a distance
43 Bird of peace
44 Elbe tributary
45 ____ oneself in : absorb knowledge etc.?
46 Fluid lubricant
47 Secret agent?
48 A conclusion

YESTERDAY'S ANSWER

G	A	N	G	■	A	C	I	D	■	Q	U	O
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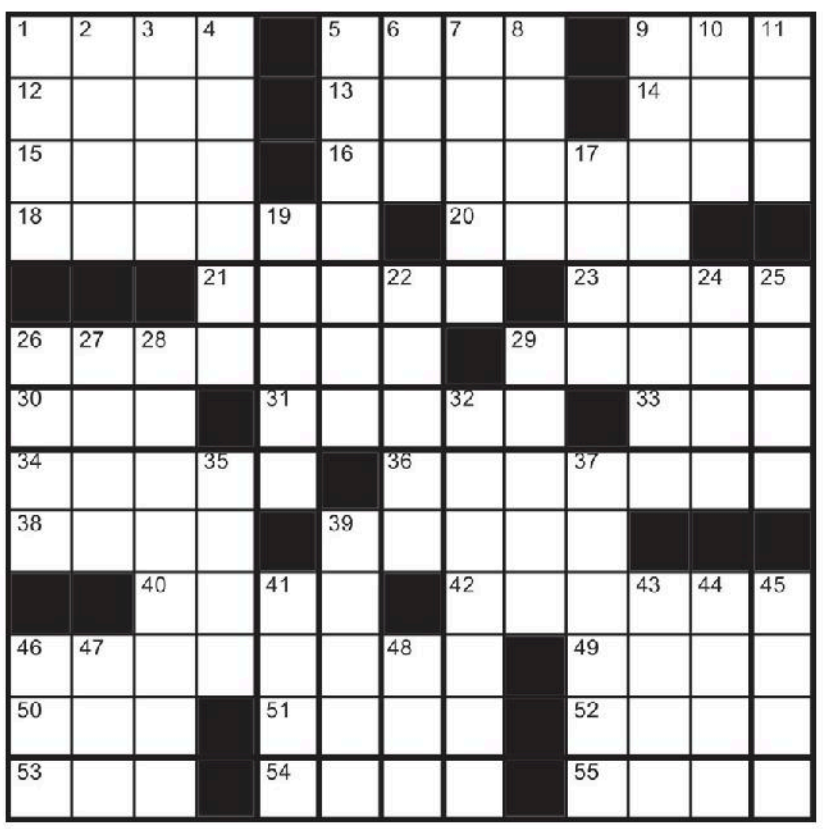

SUDOKU

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6	1						3	9
				5				
	4	3				2	8	
9			7		4			1

Answer to previous puzzle

7	1	5	8	3	4	2	6	9
6	4	8	9	2	5	7	1	3
3	9	2	1	7	6	4	5	8
4	2	1	5	8	9	6	3	7
5	6	9	3	4	7	1	8	2
8	3	7	6	1	2	9	4	5
9	5	3	7	6	1	8	2	4
2	8	6	4	9	3	5	7	1
1	7	4	2	5	8	3	9	6

Sudoku is a number-placing puzzle based on a 9x9 grid with several given numbers. The object is to place the numbers 1 to 9 in the empty squares so that each row, each column and each 3x3 box contains the same number only once. The difficulty level of the Concept is Sudoku increases from Monday to Sunday.

CRYPTOQUIP

The Cryptoquip is a substitution cipher in which one letter stands for another. If you think that X equals O, it will equal O throughout the puzzle. Single letters, short words and words using an apostrophe give you clues to locating vowels. Solution is by trial and error.

U CGGT ZNJFYRYH NJ U CGGT FUZOYH

XNFV U JGHY FVHGUF.

TODAY'S CLUE: G EQUALS O

Yesterday's Cryptoquip: If you make it plain you like people, it's hard for them to resist liking you back.

NOW SHOWING - MOVIES

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- **Lido Theatre** Ph: 2420885
  Laabam (Ta) - 4 shows
- **Mahadeshwara Theatre** Mob: 9900820093
  Lanke (K) - 4 shows
- **Padma Theatre** Ph: 2521923
  Seetimaarr (Te) - 4 shows
- **Balaji Theatre** Ph: 2497199
  Seetimaarr (Te) - 3 shows
- **Woodlands Theatre** Ph: 2422871
  Fast and Furious 9: The Fast Saga (E) - 4 Shows
- **Uma Theatre** Ph: 2520009
  Mafia Bigg Boss (H) - 4 shows

DRC CINEMAS — Ph: 4240422, 4241800

Shang-Chi and the Legend of the Ten Rings (E)	(S-1)	10.30 am, 6.20 pm
	(S-4)	12.30 pm
Laabam (Ta)	(S-1)	1.15 pm; (S-3) 3.30 pm
The Croods: A New Age (E)	(S-1)	4.10 pm
Fast and Furious 9: The Fast Saga (E)	(S-2)	10.10 am
Thalaivii (Ta)	(S-2)	1 pm; (S-3) 10.10 am
	(S-4)	3.05 pm, 6.05 pm
Lanke (K)	(S-2)	4 pm
Malignant (E)	(S-2)	6.35 pm; (S-3) 1.10 pm
Seetimaarr (Te)	(S-3)	6.15 pm
Osho (K)	(S-4)	10.30 am

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Thalaivii (Ta)	(S-1)	10.10 am, 1.40 pm
Laabam (Ta)	(S-1)	5.10 pm; (S-4) 9.50 am
Lanke (K)	(S-2)	2.10 pm; (S-3) 12.55 pm
Malignant (E)	(S-3)	10.00 am; (S-4) 3.55 pm
Shang-Chi and the Legend of the Ten Rings (E)	(S-3)	2.55 pm, 6 pm
Fast And Furious 9: The Fast Saga (E)	(S-2)	11.00 am
Seetimaarr (Te)	(S-2)	5.20 pm
The Croods: A New Age (E)	(S-3)	12.30 pm; (S-4) 6.30 pm

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Shang-Chi and the Legend of the Ten Rings (E)	:	12.45 pm, 2.40 pm, 6.20 pm
The Croods (E)	:	10.10 am, 3.45 pm
Fast & Furious 9: The Fast Saga (E)	:	11.05 am, 5.45 pm
Laabam (Ta)	:	11.30 am, 2.25 pm, 5.55 pm
Lanke (K)	:	2.45 pm
Malignant (E)	:	12.10 pm, 6.20 pm
Seetimaarr (Te)	:	11.15 am, 3.00 pm, 5.40 pm
Thalaivi (Ta)	:	11.05 am, 2.35 pm, 6.00 pm

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The Croods (E)	:	10.00 am, 6.40 pm
Laabam (Ta)	:	2.20 pm
Lanke (K)	:	11.15 am
Malignant (E)	:	3.10 pm, 5.50 pm
Seetimaarr (Te)	:	11.00 am, 2.30 pm
Thalaivi (Ta)	:	11.30 am, 6.00 pm
Shang-Chi and the Legend of the Ten Rings (E)	:	12.30 pm, 5.45 pm
Fast & Furious 9: The Fast Saga (E)	:	3.30 pm

MYSURU VISION CINEMAS — Ph: 0821 - 2973519

Lanke (K)	(S-1)	11.00 am, 5.00 pm
Thalaivii (H)	(S-1)	2.00 pm
	(S-3)	11.00 am
Thalaivii (Ta)	(S-4)	5.30 pm
Laabam (Ta)	(S-4)	2.45 pm
Seetimaarr (Te)	(S-2)	11.15 am, 2.30 pm, 5.30 pm
Shang-Chi and the Legend of the Ten Rings (E)	(S-3)	3.05 pm
Shang-Chi and the Legend of the Ten Rings (Ta)	(S-3)	5.45 pm

NOTE: Movie timings published here are subject to sudden change by the theatre managements. The films are also liable to be changed in multiplexes if there are no minimum audience of 15 to the film announced here.

ATP and WTA Rankings

Daniil Medvedev reclaims second spot

Emma Raducanu rockets up 127 Ranking places

London, Sept. 14- Russian Daniil Medvedev reclaimed the World No. 2 spot from Rafael Nadal in the latest Association of Tennis Professionals (ATP) Rankings released yesterday, with no Americans in the top 30 for the first time.

Nadal was knocked out of the Madrid Open in the quarter-finals last week by eventual champion Alexander Zverev, raising questions about his form ahead of his bid for a record-extending 14th French Open title. That would also see him break Roger Federer's all-time men's record with a 21st Grand Slam Singles triumph.

Taylor Fritz is the highest-ranked American at 31st — the first time the US have not had a player in the top 30 since the ATP Rankings were created in 1973.

Madrid Open runner-up Matteo Berrettini jumped up one spot to World No. 9.

Daniil Medvedev

Emma Raducanu

WTA Rankings

British teenager Emma Raducanu (2571 points) moved up 127 places to 23rd in the Women's Tennis Association (WTA) Rankings yesterday after her stunning triumph at the US Open.

The 18-year-old became the first player to emerge from qualifying to win a Grand Slam tournament when she beat another teenager, 19-year-old Canadian Leylah Fernandez, 6-4, 6-3 on Saturday. Fernandez (2254 points) was rewarded for her passage to the final with a rise of 45 places to 28th.

Former World No. 1 Naomi Osaka, who Fernandez beat on the way to the final and has said she is taking a break from tennis, drops to fifth place.

Bianca Andreescu, the US Open winner two years ago, fell 13 places to 20th after she was knocked out in the fourth round of this year's tournament.

Cori Gauff, the 17-year-old American, moves into the top 20 at 19th place.

ATP & WTA Rakings released on Monday (changes in brackets)

ATP Top 10	Points	WTA Top 10	Points
1. Novak Djokovic (SRB)	11,463	1. Ashleigh Barty (AUS)	10075
2. Daniil Medvedev (RUS)	9,780 (+1)	2. Aryna Sabalenka (BLR)	7720
3. Rafael Nadal (ESP)	9,630 (-1)	3. Karolina Pliskova (CZE)	5315 (+1)
4. Dominic Thiem (AUT)	8,365	4. Elina Svitolina (UKR)	4860 (+1)
5. Stefanos Tsitsipas (GRE)	7,610	5. Naomi Osaka (JPN)	4796 (-2)
6. Alexander Zverev (GER)	6,945	6. Sofia Kenin (USA)	4692
7. Andrey Rublev (RUS)	6,000	7. Barbora Krejcikova (CZE)	4668 (+2)
8. Roger Federer (SUI)	5,785	8. Iga Swiatek (POL)	4571
9. Matteo Berrettini (ITA)	4,048 (+1)	9. Garbine Muguruza (ESP)	4380 (+1)
10. Diego Schwartzman (ARG)	3,765 (-1)	10. Petra Kvitova (CZE)	4060 (+1)

'Kohli to remain Captain in all formats'

New Delhi, Sept. 14- Board of Control for Cricket in India (BCCI) Treasurer Arun Dhumal yesterday rubbished reports of Virat Kohli stepping down as India's limited-overs skipper after the T20 World Cup, saying that the Board has not discussed anything on this matter and that he will continue to captain the team in all formats. "This is all rubbish. Nothing as such is going to happen. This is all media creation," Arun Dhumal told. "BCCI has not met or discussed anything on this issue," he said.

Kohli has captained India in 45 T20Is and 95 ODIs, leading the team to 27 wins in the shortest format and 65 in ODIs.

Virat Kohli

The T20 World Cup will kick off on Oct. 17 and go on till Nov. 14 in the UAE and Oman. India will open their campaign against arch-rivals Pakistan on Oct. 24 in the first game of Super12 Group 2 stage. India have been grouped with Pakistan, New Zealand and Afghanistan. Two more teams that will qualify from Round 1 will join them.

The first semi-final is scheduled to be played in Abu Dhabi on Nov. 10 while Dubai will host the second semi-final on the next day. Both semis will have reserve days. The final of T20 World Cup is set to be played on Nov. 14 in Dubai with Nov. 15 kept as a reserve day.

EVENTS TOMORROW (SEPT. 15)

- **Institution of Engineers-India (IEI):** 54th Engineers' Day and birth anniversary of *Bharat Ratna* Dr. Sir M. Visvesvaraya, Satyendra O. Devarakonde, Vice-President, VST Tillers and Tractors, Precision Components Division, Mysuru, speaks on the theme 'Engineers for skill development and employment in combating COVID,' Dr. R. Suresh, Chairman, IEI Mysuru, presides, IEI premises, JLB Road, **10 am.**

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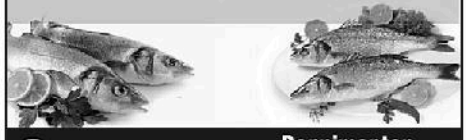

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